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TAGS: MCAP, SOPN, IR, IS, IZ
SUBJECT: (C) ALLEGATION THAT ISRAELI AIRCRAFT USED
ETZION AIRBASE FOR IRAQ RAID
1. ENTIRE TEXT C.
2. [redacted] B-1
TOLD US AFTERNOON JUNE 11 THAT "KNOWLEDGEABLE
ISRAELI SOURCES" IN LONDON ARE SAYING ON BACKGROUND
THAT ISRAELI AIRCRAFT FLEW MISSION FROM ETZION AIRBASE
IN SINAI.
3. [redacted] ADDED THAT THE SAME SOURCES CLAIM B-1
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ISRAELIS OBTAINED RECONNAISANCE PHOTOS OF THE
NUCLEAR FACILITY FROM THE IRANIANS. IRANIAN COOPERATION
WAS ALLEGEDLY PROVIDED IN RETURN FOR ISRAELI SUPPLY
OF MILITARY SPARES TO IRAN DURING EARLIER PHASE
OF THE GULF WAR.
4. WE ASSURED [redacted] THAT WE COULD CONFIRM B-1
NEITHER CLAIM. STREATOR
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